CHAPTER NO. 896

SENATE BILL NO. 2732

By Henry

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2644

By Hensley, Favors

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-118 and Section 39-17-312, relative to human skeletal remains.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-312, is amended by designating subsection (b) as subsection (d) and by adding the following language as new subsections (b) and (c):
 - (b) A person commits an offense who, without legal authority or privilege, knowingly offers to sell, sells, offers to purchase or purchases previously buried human skeletal remains.
 - (c) Any remains seized in violation of this subsection shall be confiscated and subject to disposition as provided for in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-104 and Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-119.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-6-118, is amended by deleting subsection (a)(1) and substituting the following:
 - (a) (1) Import or export by hospitals, medical schools, colleges or universities for education or research purposes.
- SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 26, 2006

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

> JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER JUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2006

APPROVED this 20th day of June

PHIL BREDESEN GOVERNOR